

REMARKS

In response to the Office Action containing a Restriction Requirement dated January 13, 2010, Applicant herein responds as follows.

The Office Action contends that the application contains the following inventions or group of inventions which are not so linked as to form a single general inventive concept under PCT Rule 13.1 and therefore sets forth a restriction requirement to one of the following Groups:

Group I, corresponding to claims 1-17;

Group II, corresponding to claims 18-20 and 22-29;

Group III, corresponding to claim 21; and

Group IV, corresponding to claims 30-48.

Applicant hereby elects the invention of Group I corresponding to claims 1 to 17.

Applicant specifically reserves the right to prosecute the non-elected subject matter by way of separate divisional applications.

Conclusion

In view of the foregoing, early and favorable consideration of all claims of the application is respectfully requested.

If the Examiner should have any questions concerning this communication or feels that an interview would be helpful, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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